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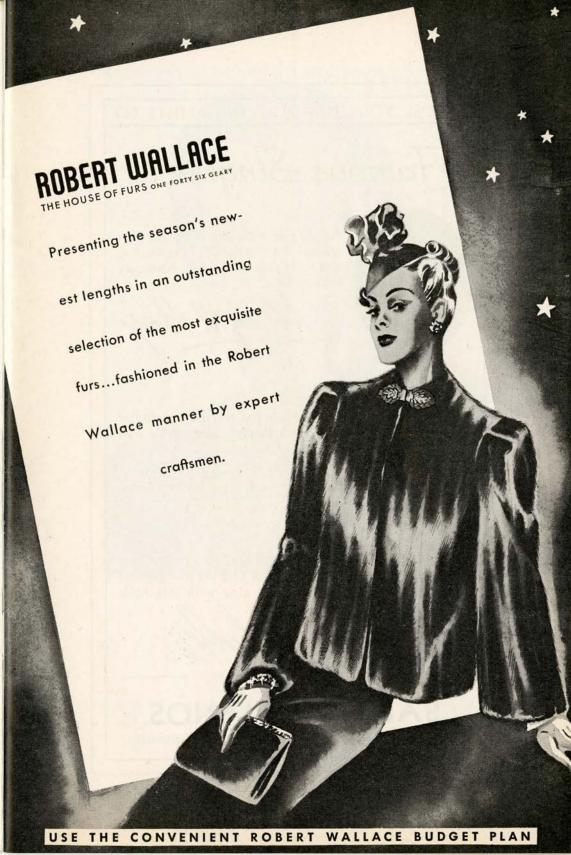
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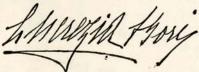


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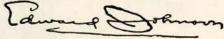


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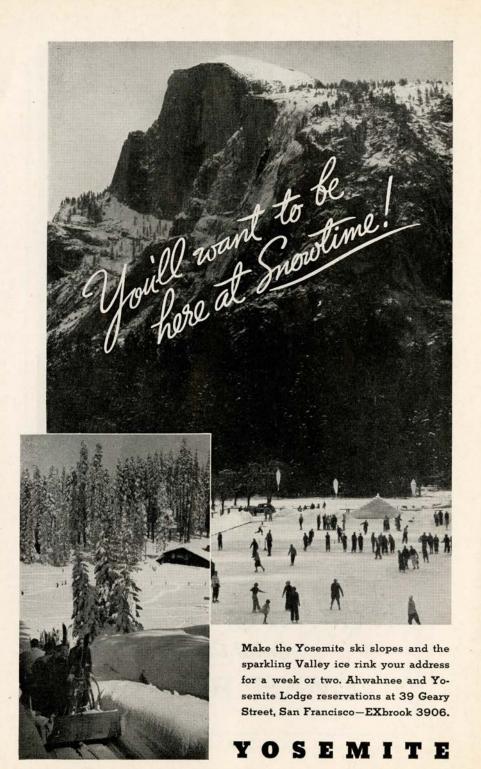
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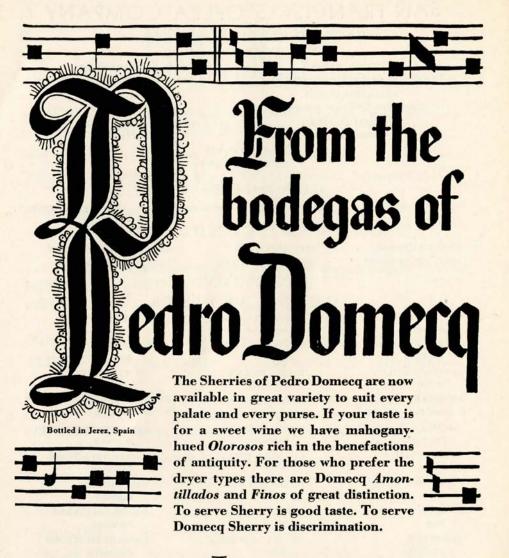
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ACT I: Scene 1-Room in the House of Marquis of Calatrava.

Scene 2—An Inn at Hornacuelos.

Act II: The Cloister of the Monastery of Hornacuelos.

Act III: Desolate Farm House in Velletri Wood.

ACT IV: Scene 1—Same as Act II.

Scene 2—A Solitary Spot near the Convent.

^{*}The opera was first produced in St. Petersburg, November 11, 1862. Seven years later at La Scala another scene was added. The original production is here given with the overture played between Scenes 1 and 2 of Act I.

THE STORY OF "LA FORZA DEL DESTINO"

ACT I: Don Alvaro, a young prince of India, and Leonora, daughter of the Marquis of Calatrava, plan to elope. They are discovered by the Marquis, and in the altercation which follows Alvaro's pistol is accidentally discharged killing the Marquis. [Scene 2] Parted from Alvaro in their flight Leonora, in male attire, stops at an inn at Hornacuelos to which her brother, Don Carlo, disguised as a student, has come in pursuit of the eloping lovers. She flees the place in the confusion which follows the announcement that Italy and Spain have declared war.

Acr II: Leonora, believing Alvaro has deserted her, seeks refuge in the monastery at Hornacuelos confessing all to Father Guardiano. He grants her sanctuary as a hermit in a cave near the monastery. The monks gather to consecrate Leonora's penitence. Laying a curse on any who may seek the stranger's identity, the monks are warned to shun the cave unless summoned by an alarm from the bell hung within it.

ACT III: Alvaro, thinking Leonora dead, had enlisted under an assumed name at the outbreak of the war. He chances upon a quarrel and finds Don Carlo sorely wounded. As the two had never met, there is no recognition and a close friendship is formed. [Scene 2] In a following battle Alvaro is mortally wounded. Fearing death he begs Don Carlo to destroy the letters to be found in a sealed casket among his effects. But Alvaro does not die and Carlo, his suspicions aroused by the mention of Leonora's name, searches Alvaro's kit and finds a picture of his sister. When Alvaro recovers, Don Carlo reveals his identity and demands vengeance for the dishonor to his family. Alvaro strives to convince Carlo he is guiltless of wronging Leonora and refuses to fight. Carlo then tells him that Leonora still lives and threatens to take her life instead. In the duel which follows Alvaro is victorious but, recognizing the force of destiny, enters the monastery of Hornacuelos.

ACT IV: After five years' search Don Carflo finds Alvaro, now Father Raphael, and attempts to taunt him into fighting. The priest refuses, even prostrating himself to petition peace. But, goaded by insults, he at last grasps the offered sword and they rush off to unconsecrated ground to duel seeking the hillside where, unknown to either, Leonora abides in solitary misery. [Scene 2] Leonora has come from the cave to implore heaven for the thousandth time to let her die, but is driven back by a breaking storm just as the two men come upon the scene. Again Alvaro vanquishes Don Carlo who falls wounded unto death. Leonora, aroused, hurries from her hermitage, and sounds the alarm. Recognizing Alvaro she rushes to embrace the dying Carlo who, relentless and unforgiving, stabs her. Father Guardiano, summoned by the alarm, surrenders Leonora, dying, into the arms of Alvaro who curses the mockery of destiny which leaves him, the only guilty one, unpunished.



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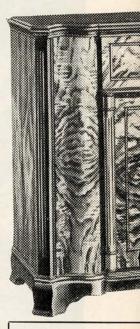
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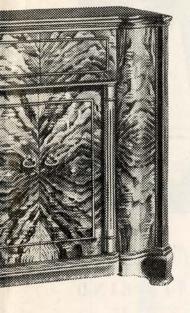
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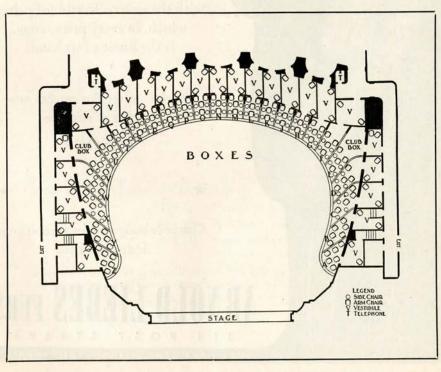
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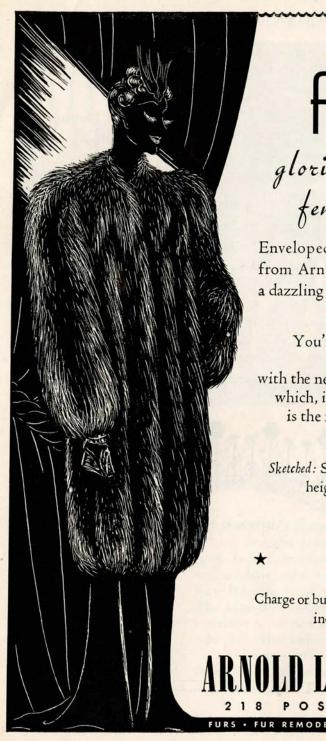
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ACT II: "But even as his sons, King Dodon is defeated. In the valley where he seeks retreat he finds the dead princes and mourns them till the lifting mists disclose a strange tent from which emerges a beautiful Queen. The sight of so beautiful a creature drives war from King Dodon's thoughts, and, dazzled, he drinks of her loveliness and her wine, and so seeks to win the favor of her caprice that he dances before his soldiers and her slaves, laughing, and begs her to come with him and share his throne. Merry to see an old man foolish and infatuated, the Queen consents and in a golden carriage they depart for King Dodon's city.

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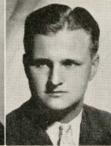
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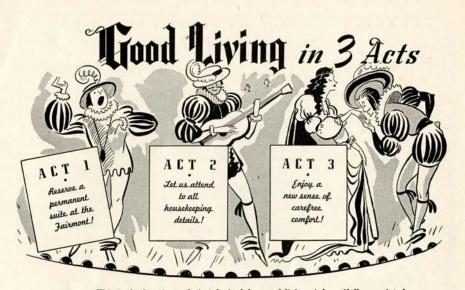
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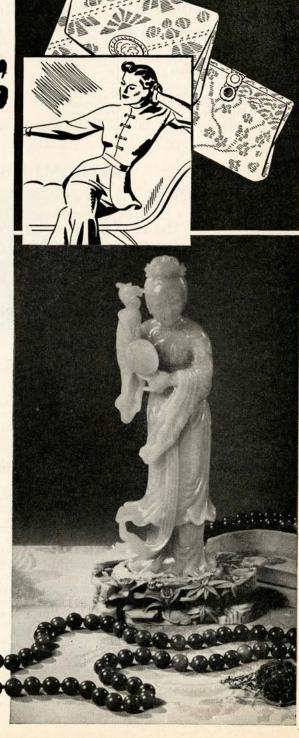
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